RESOLUTION NO.

A RESOLUTION DECLARING CERTAIN BUILDINGS, HOUSES AND OTHER STRUCTURES LOCATED AT 4904 SCHOOL STREET IN THE CITY OF NORTH LITTLE ROCK TO CONSTITUTE A PUBLIC NUISANCE AND CONDEMNING SAID STRUCTURES; PROVIDING A PERIOD OF TIME FOR PROPERTY OWNER TO ABATE SAID NUISANCE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, the buildings and structures whose location is set forth herein are vacant and have become run down, dilapidated, unsightly, dangerous, obnoxious, unsafe, not fit for human habitation and detrimental to the public welfare of North Little Rock citizens and residents; and

WHEREAS, the condition of such property constitutes a serious fire and health hazard to the City of North Little Rock, and unless immediate actions are taken to remedy this situation by removing, razing and abating said nuisance, there is a great likelihood that the surrounding property may be destroyed by fire originating from such unsafe and hazardous structures, and also that since structures are without proper sanitary facilities and as such are unsafe and hazardous and a breeding place for rats, rodents and other dangerous germ carriers of diseases, such buildings constitute a serious hazard to the health and safety of the citizens of North Little Rock, and they should be moved or razed for the purpose of eliminating such hazards.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTH LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS:

SECTION 1: That the City Council hereby declares the buildings, houses and other structures located at the property identified in Section 2 below to be vacant and run down, dilapidated, unsafe, unsightly, dangerous, obnoxious, unsanitary, a fire hazard, a menace to abutting properties, with the current condition of said structures not being fit for human habitation; and because of such conditions, the City Council declares the same to be condemned as a public nuisance and is ordered abated, removed or razed by the owner thereof.

SECTION 2: That the owner of record of the following described property is hereby directed to raze the same or otherwise abate the said nuisance within thirty (30) days after the posting of a true copy of this Resolution at a conspicuous place upon the structure constituting the nuisance described herein, to-wit:

Lot 1R, Block 96, Atkins, John L. Atkins School Subdivision (being a replat of the N ½ of Block 96, now replatted as Lot 1R) in the City of North Little Rock, Pulaski County, Arkansas. (Parcel No.

23N0610033401 located at 4904 School Street and owned by Stephani VanHooks.)

SECTION 3: If the aforementioned structures have not been razed and/or removed within thirty (30) days after posting a true copy of this Resolution at a conspicuous place upon the structures constituting the nuisance, or the nuisance otherwise abated, the structures shall be torn down and/or removed by the Director of Code Enforcement or his duly designated representative. Each day after the aforesaid thirty (30) days in which said nuisance is not abated shall constitute a separate and distinct offense punishable by a fine of \$50.00 for each such separate and distinct offense.

SECTION 4: That the provisions of this Resolution are hereby declared to be severable and if any section, phrase or provision shall be declared or held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect the remainder of the sections, phrases or provisions.

SECTION 5: That this Resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval.

PASSED:	APPROVED:
	Mayor Joe A. Smith
SPONSOR:	ATTEST:
Mayor Joe A. Smith	Diane Whitbey, City Clerk
APPROVED AS TO FORM:	
C. Jason Carter, City Attorney	

PREPARED BY THE OFFICE OF THE CITY ATTORNEY/b

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DATE 2-16-16

Diane Whitbey, City Clerk and Collector

North Little Rock, Arkansas

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CODE ENFORCEMENT DEPARTMENT

February 10, 2016

TOM WADLEY DIRECTOR

Mayor Smith
City Council Members

Re: 4904 School St.

Lot 1R Block 96 Atkins John L School Sub

Being a replat of N1/2 Blk 96 now replatted as LT 1R

Parcel 23N0610033401 City of North Little Rock, AR

Owner: Stephani VanHooks

Jacksonville, AR

Dear Mayor Smith;

July 2015 notifications of tall grass and weeds along with trashy yard was mailed to owner of record CE and Lesley Grise of Hot Springs. The structure has been vandalized all wiring and plumbing has been removed, vagrants have also stripped the aluminum siding from the house. I made several attempts to meet with Mr. Grise, he refused to meet with me he kept stating that he was trying to sell the property as is.

August 2015 Mr. Grise was issued notification of October 26th, 2015 City Council Hearing.

Oct 7th, 2015 I received a call from a Stephani VanHooks stating that she had purchased the property, and was requesting time to rehab the structure. I advised Ms. VanHooks that I would allow 90-Days for rehab. I would move the pending City Council date to February 22nd, 2016.

January 4th, 2016 follow-up inspection shows the condition of the structure is unchanged. Ms. VanHooks still states that she plans to rehab however she doesn't have the resources to complete the rehab at this time. Ms. VanHooks was advised the City Council date still stands, additional notifications were mailed to her by regular and certified mail and posted on the property, notifications were also advertised in the newspaper.

The structure is considered to be unfit for human habitation and constitute a public nuisance. Due to the condition of this structure it is the recommendation of the North Little Rock Code Enforcement Department that this structure be considered for condemnation.

Felecia McHenry Code Enforcement Officer